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## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Dear Sir:

- This is a petition for an extension of one (1) month running from 1) the mailing date of the Advisory Action mailed on February 12, 2004.
- As agreed by the Examiner in a Telephone Interview on February 14, 2004, the Period for Reply expired on the mailing date of the Advisory Action, because our Response of December 22, 2003 had been filed within two months after the Final Office Action. Box b) rather than box a) should have been X-marked under "Period for Reply" in the Advisory Action. Therefore, the Term Extension runs for 1 (one) month from the date of the Advisory Action until March 12, 2004.
- Applicant is a Large Entity. Fee Payment: \$110.00. Our Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is enclosed to cover the extension 3) Any fee deficiency or additional fee may be charged to Deposit Account 50-0507.
- 4) A Request for Continued Examination is being filed simultaneously herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant

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